## IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend and enter the claims 1-10 to read as follows:

- 1. (Amended) A suction piece for a device for administering an injectable product, said suction piece comprising:
- a) a suction chamber comprising a rim via which said suction piece may be placed on a tissue;
- b) a connection portion whereby said suction piece may be mechanically connected to said device; and
- a first passage extending through said connection portion into said suction
  chamber thereby providing a fluid connection between said suction chamber and a
  product reservoir of said device;
- d) wherein ,when said rim is placed on said tissue, the pressure in said suction chamber may be reduced whereby suction is applied to said tissue.
- 2. (Amended) The suction piece as set forth in claim 1, wherein a second passage adapted to evacuate said suction chamber extends through said suction piece and opens into said suction chamber.
- 3. (Amended) The suction piece as set forth in claim 1, wherein said first passage is sealed airtight by a seal.

(Amended) A device for administering an injectable product, said device comprising:

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- a) a casing comprising a receptacle for said injectable product;
- b) a dispensing means comprising an opening through which said product may be administered into a tissue;
- c) a suction chamber wherein said opening opens into said suction chamber;
- d) said suction chamber comprising a rim which may be placed on said tissue; wherein

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- e) the pressure in said suction chamber placed on said tissue may be reduced.
- 5. (Amended) The device as set forth claim 4, wherein a passage is formed in a wall of said suction chamber, wherein said passage opens via one end into said suction chamber and at another end may be connected to a pump.

(Amended) The device as set forth in claim 4, wherein said suction chamber is formed by a separate suction piece, said suction piece connectable to said device.

7. (Amended) The device as set forth in claim 4, wherein said suction chamber is formed by said casing of said device.

mended) The device as set forth in claim 4, wherein a pump, which comprises a suction side and a pressure side, is connected on said suction side to said suction chamber and on said pressure side to a delivery means of said device, such that, by means of said pump, said suction chamber may be evacuated and said delivery means may be operated in order to deliver said product.

9. (Amended) The device as set forth in claim 4, wherein said dispensing means is an injection needle which may be moved relative to said suction chamber toward said tissue.

10. (Amended) The device as set forth in claim 9, wherein:

said injection needle is connected to a carrier means which may be moved relative to said casing; and

a pump, which comprises a suction side and a pressure side, is connected on said suction side to said suction chamber and on said pressure side to said carrier means, such that said suction chamber may be evacuated and said carrier means may be moved by the pressure on said pressure side of said pump toward said tissue, by means of said pump.

## Please add claims 11-17 as follows:

- 11. (New) A suction piece for a device for administering an injectable product, said suction piece comprising:
  - a) a suction chamber comprising a rim for contacting tissue;
  - b) a connection portion whereby said suction piece may be mechanically connected to the device; and
  - c) a first passage coupling said suction chamber and a product reservoir associated with the device to provide a fluid connection between said suction chamber and the product reservoir of said device; wherein,
  - d) when said rim is placed on said tissue, the pressure in said suction chamber may be reduced whereby suction is applied to said tissue.
- 12. (New) A method for administering an injectable product using an injection device comprising the steps of:

providing a suction piece adapted to be coupled to the injection device, said suction piece comprising a suction chamber having a rim, a connection portion whereby said suction piece may be mechanically connected to the injection device, and a first passage coupling said suction chamber and a product reservoir associated with the injection device to provide a fluid connection between said suction chamber and the product reservoir;

contacting said rim and a tissue; and

reducing the pressure in said suction chamber whereby suction is applied to said tissue.

- 13. (New) The method according to claim 12, wherein reducing the pressure tends to draw the tissue into the suction chamber.
- 14. (New) A device for administering an injectable product, said device comprising:

a casing comprising a receptacle for said product;

- a dispensing means comprising an opening through which said product may be administered into a tissue;
- a wall substantially defining a suction chamber, said suction chamber comprising a rim for being placed against a tissue and being operably coupled to the receptacle; wherein

the pressure in said suction chamber may be reduced after the rim is placed against the tissue.

15. (New) The device as set forth claim 14, further comprising a passage formed in the wall having one end opening into the suction chamber and another end coupled to a pump for reducing the pressure in the suction chamber.

16. (New) The device as set forth in claim 15, wherein the pump comprises a suction side and a pressure side, and is connected on said suction side to said suction chamber and on said pressure side to a delivery means of said device, such that said suction chamber may be evacuated and said delivery means may be operated in order to deliver said product.

17. (New) The device as set forth in claim 14, wherein said dispensing means is an injection needle.

## **REMARKS**

The above amendments are being made to clarify the priority claim and to conform the claims to U.S. practice.

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